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Mineral Insulated Metal Sheath Cables

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ No additional fee is required

☐ This application qualifies for small entity status. 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

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## **AMENDMENT**

Director of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 6, 2001.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## In the Claims

Please cancel claims 2 and 10.

Please amend claims 1 and 9 as follows:

1. (Amended) In a cable including an outer metallic sheath, at least one metallic conductor therein, and mineral insulation disposed between the outer sheath and the metallic conductor; the improvement wherein the mineral insulation comprises between 3% and 20% by dry weight of kaolin.

9. (Amended) A process of making a cable, comprising:

providing an outer metallic sheath;

disposing at least one metallic conductor in the metallic sheath;

filling the metallic sheath with mineral insulation including between 3% and 20% by dry weight of kaolin; and

drawing down the metallic sheath.

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